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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM EAID ET  
SUBJ: IMPLEMENTATION FY-77 ETHIOPIAN USAID PROGRAM

REF: STATE 207972

1. WE SHALL, OF COURSE, BE CARRYING OUT INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL.  
I AM, HOWEVER, SOMEWHAT PUZZLED. PARA 2 REFTEL REFERS TO  
"ETHIOPIA'S CONTINUING POOR PERFORMANCE." SINCE WE HAVE NOT  
RECENTLY HAD OCCASION TO REPORT ANY NEW INSTANCES OF HUMAN  
RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND INDEED LOCAL RUMOR MILL HAS ALMOST DRIED  
UP ON THIS SUBJECT, I WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHAT DEPT HAS  
IN MIND BEFORE NOTING THIS POINT TO MOFA. WE HAVE HAD OCCA-  
SION TO COMMENT ON WHAT WE HAVE CONSIDERED TO BE  
ETHIOPIAN SENSITIVITY ON SUBJECT, AND IT HAS BEEN OUR  
IMPRESSION FROM LACK OF EVIDENCE TO CONTRARY, THAT IF ANYTHING  
ETHIOPIAN PERFORMANCE OVER PAST TWO OR THREE MONTHS HAS  
IMPROVED SLIGHTLY IN TERMS OF ARBITRARY ARRESTS AND DISPOSITION  
OF ARRESTEES. NOR AM I PERFECTLY SURE WHAT DEPT HAS IN  
MIND IN MENTIONING TREATMENT OF DETAINEES.

2. I AM CERTAINLY NOT SUGGESTING THAT HUMAN RIGHTS  
PROBLEMS NO LONGER EXIST HERE, BUT I WOULD PREFER NOT  
TO MAKE GENERALIZED CIRITICAL STATEMENTS TO MOFA WITHOUT  
BEING SURE OF SUBSTANCE ON WHICH STATEMENT IS BEING  
MADE.

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